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89	3p	.08	.08
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91	1sh	.30	.25
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Canada Issuing Alexander Graham Bell Commemorative

As we go to press we learn that the Postmaster-General has released the following information to the Canadian press:

A New Canadian four-cent postage stamp commemorating the 100th anniversary of the birth of Alexander Graham Bell will be issued March 3 and it is planned to first release it at Brantford, Ont., where the inventor of the telephone first worked on and perfected his great contribution.

In making the official announcement, Postmaster General Bertrand said the stamp would be somewhat larger in size than the regular four-cent stamp. It will depict a winged Figure of Fame placing a laurel wreath on the effigy of Alexander Graham Bell. Color of the new issue has not yet been decided, but will probably be red or blue.

After the first issue at Brantford, the stamp also will be on sale at the philatelic division of the Post Office Department at Ottawa March 3 and thereafter. First day covers for philatelists will be handled only at the Brantford post office.

Postal officials said the new stamp will be a restricted issue as to quantity and will not replace the regular four-cent stamp, showing the King in military uniform.

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C.P.S. OF GREAT BRITAIN

"Maple Leaves", Vol. I—No. 2, being December, 1946, Bulletin of the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain has just come to hand. Pleasing about this is the fact that the study of Canada and B.N.A. is appealing in the old country. This with the B.N.A. Philatelic Society organized in the United States a couple of years ago shows the keen interest beng taken in the stamps and postal history of Canada, on the outside.

We gather that this Great Britain Society is fairly New. Over 100 members are already enrolled. Annual fee is 5 shillings, and among members listed are a few Canadian residents. They have study groups, a library service and Exchange section. Mr. C. Aikins, 45 Armstrong Ave., Toronto 4, is Canadian representative.

Their current Bulletin has an article on Large and Small Cents, Registration in Canada and an article on Canadian. Postal History, by Herbert Buckland.

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ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF AMERICAN STAMPS

L. N. Bronson, writing in the London, Ont., Free Press, of Nov. 28, 1946, had an interesting article on postal service from the early Persian Posts up to the middle of the last Century, and in part has the following about United States stamps.

The United States next year (1947) is to observe the 100th anniversary of Government-issued postage stamps in that country.

The United States was not the first to follow the practice but its centennial probably will attract more attention than that of any other country. The reason for this is obvious; Great Britain, the first to issue adhesive stamps, was too busy in its centennial year, 1940, to give the occasion more than passing attention. May 6, 1940, actual anniversary date, saw the small British Expeditionary Force in action in Norway. In France, Allied activity was limited to patrol and reconnaissance work; the Germans were completing plans for their blitzkrieg to be launched four days later.

Cognizant of this fact, the annual Philatelic Exhibition to be held at New York in May is being turned into an international affair. Great Britain is being invited to officially participate along with two other countries, Switzerland and Brasil, whose anniversaries also occurred during World War II. Also receiving an invitation is the British Colony of Mauritius, whose first, rare issues appeared in 1847.

Stamps, as they now are known, were introduced by Britain in 1840. Actually both stamped envelopes and adhesive stamps were placed on sale May 6, although some had been sold previously without authorization, but within a short period Rowland Hill, "The Father of Stamps," found the covers were not in demand and the stocks subsequently were withdrawn. Hill's innovation attracted widespread interest abroad. In the United States a private "City Despatch Post" was set up in New York in 1842 and the following year the Swiss cantons of Zurich and Geneva and the South American kingdom of Brazil adopted the British system.

Within another couple of years post-masters of several United States centres including New York, and St. Louis, were issuing adhesive stamps; others including the official at New Haven, Conn., adopted stamped envelopes. Many of these provisional issues are now of great value to collectors. Among these is the rare Boscawen (N.H.) postmaster stamp on the envelope, of which only one copy is known to

exist. The stamp itself resembles a cancellation in a frame; dull blue, it is printed on yellowish paper, and is attached to a small white envelope. The provisional issue was by Wooster Webster, a relative of Daniel Webster, when the former was postmaster at Boscawen. Its discovery was made in 1894 by a New Jersey collector who paid $5 for the stamp now valued in the thousands of dollars.

By 1847, the United States Government dropped this plan of local issues and its first stamps appeared on July 1, the five-cent bearing a likeness of Benjamin Franklin, the 10-cent one of George Washington. Since then these two have appeared on many American issues.

ALERT TO CANADA COLLECTORS!

Mr. W. T. White, of Vancouver, B.C., has written the Philatelic Press regarding Scott's catalog treatment of Canada. He advocates a drastic revision and a much-needed raising of prices more in line with the market. We quote from his letter:

"With the publication of Scott's 1947 Catalogue thousands of collectors of "Canada" are again faced with the semi-farcial Canadian listings that have handicapped philately in Canada for several years past. Even our American friends across the Border commiserate with us—one auction firm, Herman Herst, Jr., captioning its Canadian listings of November Sales, with the foreword "What the 1947 Scott did NOT do to Canada is a crime: "they should get a good lawyer and sue". What is the grudge that Scott has against Canada? Their "Encyclopedia" states prices are determined by "Careful study of available wholesale and retail offerings together with recommendations and information submitted by many of the leading philatelic societies". Wholesale and retail prices are well known, **and religously ignored**—ask any dealer—and it would certainly be interesting to learn what "leading philatelic societies" are guilding Scott on Canadian issues. In common parlance its "hooey" and "bunk" and the question is How long are we collectors of Canada going to continue taking it lying down?

The Candaian Philatelic Society, The British North America Philatelic Society, and all other philatelic societies particularly interested, should muster and use every particle of influence they possess to urge in the proper quarter a better deal for Canada. **They owe it as a service to their members.** I suggest too, that the Canadian Stamp Dealers Association throw their weight into a movement having the same objective. **They owe it to their clients.** At first sight it would appear to be too big a problem for the rank and file to handle effectively but we can at least individually and collectively, bring pressure to bear on our societies and dealers to tackle the job and endeavour to get somewhere."

NEW ISSUES - by Red Eagle

The following are reported from Toronto:

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CANADIAN TOPICS

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Think I had better get this done before the Christmas rush starts. So, if anything startling turns up twixt now and Jan. 15th you can just blame it on Santa Claus.

First a correction. Jack Levine, the energetic secretary of the British North America Philatelic Society, has drawn to my attention that I should not refer to that society as . . . . "of New York". I am happy to do so. I have an unconscious urge to use that nomenclature to distinguish B.N.A.P.S. from "The Canadian Philatelic Society". I hope to add my regrets in person next May in his fair metropolis. See Jack, I didn't say N.Y. that time.

In the mail for November came a sensible suggestion from Windsor, Ontario. Mrs. N. S. Washington says she thinks Canadian Christmas seals should be so designated. So do I. Being a collector of seals myself I would certainly like to see the idea adopted. Perhaps some readers located nearer to Canadian seal headquarters could pass along the idea.

And speaking of nomenclature, anent the next but one preceding paragraph, I sometimes wonder casually why we should speak of the collecting of B.N.A. as embracing only the Northern part of North America. Truly it should include all of the West Indies as well as British Honduras. And then again there is that sign at the door of the U.S.A. embassy in Ottawa reading "American Embassy". That's awfully incorrect but there it is officially. And not far from the Canadian Philatelic Agency too. Wonder what old Amerigo Vespucci would think of the whole business.

Not long ago the Canadian government decided that War Savings stamps would be sold no more and all in the hands of holders should be redeemed if the holder didn't have enough to make up the price of a War Savings Certifikcate. Result was that Postmasters were flooded with everything from the first issue right through the scarce "Spitfire" issue to the last more common ones. Those "in the know" had a field day with their favorite postmaster. Got quite a lot of "Spitfire" myself.

You know the old saw about when man bites dog that's news. Well chums, I see where there is a chap in U.S.A. who specializes in Tannou Touva. He must be after a Russian decoration and I hereby nominate him. Did you ever try to get a letter into or out of Tannou Touva? Well I have but no soap. In fact I would welcome any assistance.

W. T. White in December "B.N.A. Topics" says a mouthful when he takes the new Scotts' Catalogue to task for the shabby treatment still being meted out to Canada. What DOES one have to do to get errors and omissions corrected in the Encyclopedia of Philately? I for one am in favor of that "Joint Catalogue Committee" to see if SOMETHING can't be done.

Recently in "Philately" some interesting notes appeared on "Bells's Despatch" of Montreal. Watch for more detail on the same subject.

I suppose that some of these days we will be presented with the fact that the postal rate has been set back to Three Cents. Arguments pro and con on this subject are always interesting. In 1898 when the rate was cut from Three to Two cents the argument was advanced that this should not be since at approximately same time the government proposed to raise a million dollars by a tax on sugar. This was denounced as an imposition on the poorer classes, to whom sugar was a necessity, while the wealthier classes only would benefit by a cut in the postal rates.

Its worth while noting in passing that this winds up Volume Number Nine of "Popular tamps". A lot of that well-known water has passed under that well-known bridge since the first tiny mimeographed number of P.S. appeared in "January-February" of 1938.

MENTION POPULAR STAMPS WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS.

EARLY SASKATCHEWAN PMK.

Major V. K. Gill, of Regina, Sask., interested in early post-marks of Saskatchewan writes: Quite by accident I resurrected an envelope the other week postmarked:—"REGINA, ASSA SP 17, 91" on one side of the envelope and on the reverse side:— "C P RY WEST OF W ———— B SP 18 91" with the word "EAST" above the date. Also on the reverse side is a further post-mark:— "MOOSOMIN N.W.T. SP 18 91". All this indicated that it took the best part of two days to go some 137 miles! This particular 'linen' envelope had gone by registered mail and had contained a teacher's certificate—the same having been mailed:—"From Lieutenant Governor's Office, Regina, N. W.T." to "Arcloa P.O. via Moosomin". With reference to the 'railway date' in fourth line from top of this item, I wonder if you can supply the missing letters. My guess is that it might be "WINNIPEG", but then what would the final "B" indicate? Eariest recorded date in my notes for Regina is Sept. 13, 1891.

CRIPPLED CHILDREN SEAL

The Ontario Society for Crippled Children Inc., 112 College St., Toronto, Ont., next year celebrates 25 years of service in its field of devotion. In connection with this Silver Jubilee they are sponsoring Easter Seals for Crippled Children, the first time that these have been prepared for Canada. Mr. Bert L. Baulch, of Brantford, Ont., is Field Secretary and on a trip through here last month showed us a pane of the seals done in yellow, blue and magenta colors, the design representing two crippled children looking toward the rising sun . Inscribed at the top is the word "Sunshine" and at the bottom, "For Crippled Children, 1947".

Of interest to philatelists is a Pre-Easter issue of the seals in panes of 100 for one dollar, each Collector purchaser to receive an imperforate block of four as a premium.

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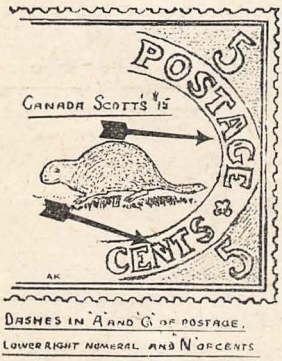
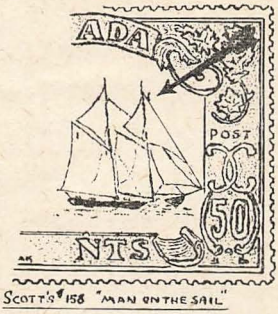
Sketch #179—Canada Scott's #53, the 3 cent Jubilee of 1897 shows a diagonal dash between H and R in Three. Loaned us by Isaac Pitblado, K C.



Sketch #180—Canada Scott's #15, the 5c Beaver of 1859 with varieties of dashes in A of Postage, N of cent and in the numeral 5 at lower right. Sent us by T. White.

Sketch #181—Canada Scott's #24, the 3-cent of 1868 with variety blotch below E of THREE. Sent us by Vincent G. Greene.



Sketch #182—Canada Scott's #158, the famous 50 cent Bluenose of 1928 shows variety "Man on the Sail". Loaned us by T. White.

T.S.C.C.'s CHRISTMAS PARTY

A large number of the members of the Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club attended their annual Christmas Party, which was held in the club's room at the Royal York Hotel on Thursday evening December 19th.

Santa Claus in the person of Earl Edwards distributed gifts to the twelve boys who had been good during the year. Wilf. Malcolm on behalf of the executive and members presented Bert Denton the past president with a silver tray, suitably inscribed.

In recognition of his active participation in club's affairs during the past twenty-fve years, Walter Bayley on behalf of the members presented to the Secretary, Charles F. Foster a Life Membership together with an Eversharp CA pen and pencil set engraved with his name and date of presentation by the club. Charlie now divides with Fred Jarrett the honor of Life Membership.

The donation auction realized $302 and was divided equally among the I.D.E. Home for Convalescent Children, The Welfare Chest and Home for Incurables.

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An agreement has been reached with the United States Postal Authorities under which a direct air mail service between Newfoundland and the United States commenced on the 1st January, 1947. The service will be once daiy from Gander to New York and once daily from New York to Gander. The air mail postage rate will be 10 cents per half ounce and this rate will apply in both countries. The present 7 cent rate to the U.S.A. will be discontinued with the introduction of the new service. The existing 7 cent rate to Canada will not be affected. Arrangements were made for a suitable official cachet to be applied to all mail carried on the inaugural flight on the 1st January, 1947.

The Nova Scotia Stamp Club, Halifax, have supplied a number of stamps, albums, hinges, etc., to veterans in the Camp Hill Hospital there who may desire to take up stamp collecting to while away the hours of their confinement. The club is also taking steps to encourage development of collectors in high schools of their city and have invited them to attend club meetings.

Latest H. E. Harris & Co., of Boston, booklet to hand is one on "Stamps of Russia".

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(6) Falkland Is. ½d-1/- ..... .60
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(9) Gilbert Ellice ½d-1/- .... .58
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PHILATELIC PHILANDERING

By Phred Jarrett

I know many philatelists who are philanderers, but I am not writing about philandering, a subject about which I would know nothing. I simply used the word because it was euphonious, and I like alliteration. Anyway, both words have a love connotation. Come between me and my love of stamps and I'll call you a philatelic philanderer.

Many of us write about stamps, and all of us who do write about stamps do it for love. It must be love, for I certainly never got paid in money. Even my monumental compendium known as the B.N.A. book caused the red ink to flow freely in my ledger. It cost me money, and it nearly cost me my job to get out that book, but I was, and continue to be, well paid for my efforts because the boys like the book.

The whole tone of that book was one of an editor trying to assemble recorded and proven information. I did not lift anyone's lovely philatelic brain child and dress it up as my very own. I gave credit wherever possible. In some instances I borrowed from earlier writers to the extent of using their material as a stepping stone for further research, as for example, starting where Howe left off with the identification of the 4-ring numeral cancellations and trying to give collectors a list of the 1868 2-ring numerals. This was virgin territory and I did considerable personal research to start this list on its way. A prominent dealer published a book shortly after mine appeared, giving this list of numerals, on which I had correspondence with possibly a hundred collectors, with no mention of its source.

It is enlightening to study the records of our early issues in the files of old stamp magazines, to which early collectors contributed notes that can be assembled today only at considerable expense and time. Donald A. King was one of those early contributors. Through his hands passed material in such quantities and of such rarity that even our wealthiest collectors today will not again see the like. Being a true philatelist he recorded details of perforation, paper, shade, and variety, and reported his findings to the London Philatelist, where today one may find much that represents bedrock knowledge. King told me he stopped writing because he was continually being confronted with material which he recognized as his own, brazenly offered as the original research of some new writer.

Editor's Note:—We have been trying to induce Mr. Jarrett to write the occasional article for "POPULAR STAMPS". The foregoing, perhaps, explains why we have not had more of his material. He does, however, intimate, in the same letter, that he may have something for us later on.

It is, as he says, annoying to see one's work re-hashed (if not lifted holus bolus) under another's name. We've seen it in newspaper work, and we've seen it in the philatelic press, perhaps even more glaringly. Our consolation is, that: "imitation is the sincerest form of flattery", and in leading, there lies an attraction for followers.

ENGLAND 1898 FLAG CANCELS

The Philatelic Adviser, of Cheltenham, England, in its January issue, just to hand, mentions receiving a copy of our booklet, "Canadian Flag Cancellations", from Major Ian Morgan, of Montreal. In referring to the Queen Victoria Jubilee Flag Cancellations they note that our Types 3 and 6 are identical, or similar to flag cancels used in London, England, at the same period, or a little later. From these comparisons they deduce that the Empire Mail Marking Machine, used for the cancels, came from Canada, as had their Bickerdike machines which produced their ordinary "V.R." cancellations of 1897 and 1899-1901, which latter were supplied by the Canadian Postal Supply Company.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Advanced Notices!

May we bring to the attention of our members and friends the dates of our Annual Meeting, Exhibition, Dinner and etc. The location will be the Royal York Hotel, Toronto on Friday Evg., April 11th, and from noon Saturday, April 12, 1947, until night.

The "Annual Meeting" and "Get Acquainted" will be held on Friday Evg. and the Exhibition, Bourse, Dinner and all the trimmings will be staged on the Saturday of April 12th.

The President is very anious to hear from all those intending to make an effort to attend our Annual. Do not put this off! Sit down and just write me a letter!

We would like all members who intend exhibiting to please notify our chairman, Cliff Aikens, 45 Armstrong Ave., Toronto 4, Ont. Please note on Page 3 of your Bulletin for November.

Classes for Exhibition:—

No. 1—Canada (a) General (b) Covers; No. 2—Gt. Br. and Cols; No.—3, Foreign; No. 4—Airmail (a) General, (b) Covers; No 5—Junior (a) Advanced, (b) Beginner; No. 6—Special (Any collection or matter not otherwise classified); No. 7—Hon. Members.

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We request that members take full advantage of this opportunity to show the public some of the interesting phases of Stamp collecting. Don't forget to write us.

Happy 1947.

CYRIL WOODHEAD, Pres.

Mr. H. E. Guertin of Toronto reports a cover with the 1942 Canadian War issue new 3ct red on a commercial cover from Arnprior, dated June 30/42. Official F.D. for these was July 1. He also reports another inter-(Monument), stamp on a definitely grey paper. He remembers noting these coming in from one hardware company in Montreal. Are these known to others?

P.O. SLOGAN CANCELLATIONS

by Walter Purkis.

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Toronto used a new T.B. slogan this year "BUY T.B./ CHRISTMAS SEALS/ FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS" and is also using "SAFETY/ EDUCATION". The latter like "SYMPHONY WEEK", previously reported, appears to be only used on large size envelopes.

In Alberta, Calgary, Lethbridge, Edmonton and Medicine Hat all used "FIGHT T.B./ WITH / CHRISTMAS SEALS". Vancouver still uses the old form "BUY/

CHRISTMAS/ SEALS".

These "CHRISTMAS SEAL" and "VOTE" slogans were also being used a great deal this year by private firms on metered mail in all Canadian towns where meters are used—altho so far, we have not noticed any in the French language. These slogans are just as attractive and collectible as the Official Post Office markings.

Vancouver Post Office also had a new slogan for the December Municipal election in three words, "IT'S VITAL:/ VOTE:", Hamilton, Regina, Saskatoon and Windsor used the same "VOTE" slogans as described last year.

We have reported three towns as having used their first Post Office slogan cancellation in 1946: Lloydminster, Melville and Sioux Lookout. Here is another one: Penticton, B.C., is now having house delivery of mail and uses "Advise your/ CORRESPONDENTS/ of your correct/ POST OFFICE ADDRESS"; first date noted, Nov. 16th. We should be VERY glad of information regarding any other town using a first slogan we have not noted.

Undoubtedly the scarcest slogan used in Canada during 1946 is "GOLDEN/ JUBILEE YEAR / NAVY LEAGUE" used by New Westminster on just one day—August 12th, last.

Mrs. Mabel Phillips, Editor of "Cancellations", has been elected president of the newly formed Iowa Women's Philatelic Society, Meeting Fridays at 611 Locust St., Des Moines, Iowa.

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BOER WAR PATRIOTIC ?

Richard P. Hedley in his Canada Column in "Philately" of January 6th illustrates an interesting cover adapted from a patriotic illustration of the Boer War period. He rightly terms it an advertising cover but notes its leaning toward a Boer War patriotic. There are soldiers, cannon and battleships which were in suitable colors on the original cover. True, as he says, there were some attractive patriotics during the Boer War, but strangely are scarce today. Most of them that we have seen are postcards and like the above mentioned Hedley cover, which is adapted to advertising by The Alpha Chemical Co., Berlin, the post cards we mention, in many instances were adapted to advertising Whether they failed to sell up to expectation during the war and an outlet was found for them through advertisers, or the themes and pictures appealed to advertisers we do not know, but certain it is that there were a number of them used as advertising pieces.

An auction of selected British Colonies offered by order of a private collector of Connecticut brought record prices in a two-day auction held by H. R. Harmer, of New York, N .Y., during November last. A total of over $13,000 was realized for the 479 lots, roughly 30 per cent more than was expected, according to Mr. Bernard Harmer, of H. R. Harmer In Harmer, of the auction firm.

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A subscriber writes that some dealers still seem to class Canada stamps among British Colonials when they rightly should come under the head of British Dominions.

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It is with much satisfaction that we have followed the growth of the Canadian Philatelic Society in the past few years and kept in touch with their progress through monthly notes in "POPULAR STAMPS". But we have another organization in Canada that is striding forward and serving a most useful purpose. We refer to the Canadian Stamp Dealers' Association, Secretary of which is R. J. Woolley, 6 Boon Ave., Toronto 10, Ont. Not much has appeared in print about this organization—nor are these notes anticipated by them.

Coming to hand recently is their nicely printed bulletin, No. 6, covering the annual general meeting held at Oshawa Dec. 10th last. A happy report is recorded from Retiring President, L. A. Davenport, and Treasurer Kelson can feel gratified at the nice financial standing of the Association.

Various motions approved at the meeting show interested concern in the welfare of philately and the collector generally, as well as the more intimate matters of concern to dealers only. One motion of interest is instructions to the secretary to write Mr. Winthrop S. Boggs that it was the feeling of the Association that due credit had not been given in his book to Mr. Fred Jarrett and Dr. L. S. Holmes (authors of books on Canada).

Messrs. W. N. Affleck and J. Ethier were hosts to the Association in Oshawa. Dr. L. S. Holmes, of London, Ont., is the newly elected president of the C.S.D.A.

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(By G.B.M.)

The lights burned dimly in the workroom of the Sussex Street tailor's shop in Ottawa on the night of April 6, 1868, as had been the case for several nights during the winter months. The room was the meeting place of a coterie of men who plotted the murder of a noted Cabinet Minister.

Parliament was in session. The galleries of the House were filled to hear the debate on the "Recall of Dr. Tupper," which carried on until after midnight. The rich, mellow eloquence for which the Irish-born Minister was noted reverberated through the arches of the Chamber.

The hour of 1 o'clock found a sleigh to which was hitched a span of well-groomed horses from Pat Buckley's livery stable in waiting to convey the Minister to his lodgings in Mrs. Trotter's hostelry on Sparks Street. It was but a few minutes drive. The Minister alighted from the conveyance and proceeded. Snow had fallen lightly during the night, covering the already slippery sidewalk. A third man, armed with a pistol, made his appearance, fired a shot which felled his victim. The Hon. Thomas D'Arcy McGee lay lifeless on the sidewalk.

Thus ended the career of one of the most illustrious of the galaxy of the Fathers of Confederation, whose memory still lives as green as the Isle which gave him birth. April 7, 1938, marked the seventieth anniversary of the tragedy here related.

The writer of this was a lad of 17, who, at 7 o'clock on the morning, left his accustomed occupation and ran hurriedly about a mile uphill to the scene of the tragedy and saw the life blood of the victim staining the newly fallen snow. His memory of all the facts made public is as clear and distinct as though the tragedy was enacted yesterday.

The above is a clipping taken from a Toronto newspaper in 1938 and refers to what we believe is the only assassination of a Parliamentarian in Canada. His denunciation of Fenianism on a visit to Ireland called forth the rage and hatred of that brotherhood and probably led to his assassination. The 5-cent stamp in the 1927 Historical Issue is dedicated to McGee.

LETTER TO EDITOR

Toronto, Dec. 26, 1946.

To the Editor of Popular Stamps

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WIDTH OF THE 5c MEDALLION STAMP

Many collectors have wondered about the variations in width of the stamps of the Queen Victoria "small cents" issue of Canada. Whatever the reason for these variations, it is of interest to note that the same condition occurs in a much more recent issue, namely the medallion stamps of 1932.

In looking through a lot of used 5c medallions, the writer noticed a copy of unusal width. The extra width is in the margins; the design or portion within the frame lines being the same size on all copies. The differerence in width between the ordinary and "wide" stamps is about 1½ millimetres. Measuring at the narrowest point, that is, between the perfs, the normal stamp is approximately 20 mm. wide while the "wide" copies are about 21½ mm.

The difference is evident at a glance. The wide stamp has a squat appearance and one or both of the vertical margins is unusally wide.

Upon examining a mint sheet of the 5c medallion, it was at once apparent that the wide stamps are in the outside row of the sheet. To be more specific, let us consider an original sheet of four panes of 100 stamps each. The two outside vertical rows contain the wide stamps. Thus, each pane of 100 has 10 wide stamps, adjacent to the vertical margin carrying the plate number.

A plate number block shows the variety nicely, having two wide stamps and two normals.

It does not necessaril follow that all sheets of this stamp have a wide outer row. In fact, only about 50% of the mint sheets examined had the wide stamps.

One hundred used copies were sorted and yielded seven of abnormal width. Each one was approximately 21½ mm. wide.

A large number of plate blocks of the other medallion values (1c to 8c) were examined. In some of these, particularly the 3c, the outer row was a little wider than the others, but the difference was less than in the case of the 5c. Most of the outer row stamps were 20½ mm. wide.

It is possible that the perforating machine in use at the time produced ten vertical rows of perfs and that the final row of perfs in the sheet margin was made in a separate operation. This explanation does not account for the predominance of the wide spacing in the 5c value as compared with the other values.

The predisposing cause of wide outer rows apparently disappeared soon after 1932. The writer has not found any stamps of abnormal width in the 1935 subsequent issues.—C. Y. Hopkins.

EXPLORER REMEMBERED

In September, Blackall, prosperous town in the rich grazing country of Queensland, Australia, celebrated the centenary of the district's discovery by Sir Thomas Mitchell. A special postage stamp, bearing the portrait of the explorer was issued by the Commonwealth Government, at the request of the Royal Geographical Society (Queensland), to commemorate the recognition of Mitchell's Queensland explorations.

Thomas Livingston Mitchell was one of the most versatile of the early Australian explorers. He was a soldier, surveyor, engineer and author. He was 35, and a major in the British Army when he came to the colony of New South Wales in 1827, as deputy surveyor-general.

It is as an explorer, hoowever, that Mitchell is best remembered. In 1831 he marched to the headwaters of the Darling River, and discovered the rich Darling Downs. His surveys helped to link up the discoveries of other explorers in the river systems of eastern Australia

Mitchell's most famous expedition was his penetration, in 1836, to the south-eastern portion of the continent, to which, in his rapture at its richness, he gave the name "Australia Felix". This area, south of the Murray River, is now Victoria. In 1846 Mitchell undertook a further trip to the Southern Queensland area, mapping rivers. He reached the site of Blackall, on the Barcoo River, on 19 September that year.

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